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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ENRG, BEXP, UY

SUBJ: URUGUAYAN OFFSHORE OIL EXPLORATON

REF: MVD 356

1. TWO FIRMS, CHEVRON OVERSEAS PETROLEUM, INC. AND ESSO STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF URUGUAY S.A. -ESSO LATIN AMERICAN, INC., SUBMITTED BIDS TO GOU FOR OFFSHORE OIL DRILLING RIGHTS ON MARCH 3. NEITHER GULF NOR TEXACO SUBMITTED BIDSJJ ALTHOUGH TEXACO SENT AN OSERVER. DETAILS OF THE BIDS WERE NOT REVEALED.

2. BIDDING PROCEDURES ALLOW GOU UTMOST FLEXIBILITY. CONTINENTAL SHELF WAS DIVIDED INTO THREE ZONES. GOU MAY AWARD ONECOMPANY DRILLING RIGHTS IN ALL ZONES, ASSIGN EACH COMPANY A SEPARATE ZONE, OR ALLOW BOTH TO DRILL IN THE SAME ZONE.

3. GOU WILL STUDY OFFERS FOR 60 TO 90 DAYS AND THEN BEGIN NEGOTIATING TERMS OF POSSIBLE AGREEMENT WITH THE BIDDERS. SIRACUSA

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